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Dear Mr. Garrison, —

Again — thank you for a "Journal" containing your comments upon Mr. Sumner's (intended) Faneuil Hall speech. No sadder or more unwelcome necessity has ever come to you, I feel sure, from the very beginning of your contest with Slavery, than is this of withstanding Charles Sumner's efforts in behalf of the foes of the Negro, of freedom, and of the Nation. You have had before to contend with the avowed enemies of liberty, and with its insidious enemies, all the worse for professing themselves its friends. Open & secret friends of ~~Freedom~~ Slavery you have met in countless numbers. Now you have had to resist one of its "Dupes" (See Wendell Phillips!) Think of C.S. being any-body's dupe! and, of all others, the dupe of Rebels & Slaveholders! — that were, & would be again. — Your reproof of his parade of evidence of his constant desire

to be at peace with the Slaveholders is needful and well done. The suggestion as to his "resignation" I am glad of. He greatly and dangerously misrepresents Massachusetts now. How instructive it is, that the Colored people so generally, South & North, decline his advice! Will he comprehend that fact?

Yesterday in Worcester I met Mr. Hoar (G. F.), and he asked your address, which I gave him. He said he saw you were following up Mr. Sumner, & the other supporters of the Nomination of Horace Greeley; and he wanted to call your attention to a (recent?) giving-out of Greeley's, in which he advises the Colored people of the Southern States to look for the protection of their rights as citizens, & for their opportunities of education, to the "dominant race" there; — ("dominant!")

We shall be expecting A. W. and his wife on Tuesday morn'g, by the 9 a.m. train from Boston (being the New York Express.) I intend to be at Worcester to meet them, and they will please remain at the Worcester Station

until I find them. Our kind regards to them, — to Mrs. Garrison Likewise; and to Miss Dow, and Frank — and to George, if with you now.

Very truly Yrs.,

Sam'l. May.